

Nicholas Cathedral in Los Angeles. During his five years of service he had oversight responsibilities on many committees and activities. Jameel was instrumental in the refurbishment of the exterior of the cathedral, the celebration of the visit of Patriarch Ignacious IV in 1999, the organization of the 50th Anniversary of the cathedral in 2000 and host to the Antiochian Convention held in Los Angeles in 2001.

Dr. Hourani is a Board Certified Physician in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine and Critical Care Medicine. He is also a member of the American College of Physicians, the American College of Chest Physicians, the American Medical Association, the American Osteopathic Association and the American Thoracic Society.

He has established his credentials through many years of Service. Jameel is credited with numerous articles, lectures and participated in over 24 clinical research studies in the last five years. Dr. Hourani's expertise has extended internationally as he participated in the first kidney transplant in Morocco. In the United States Dr. Hourani has been inducted into the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels by the Governor of Kentucky for his relief work in the flood-ravaged area in the late 1980's.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to personally thank Dr. Hourani for his service to both the community and the cathedral. Jameel Hourani is a dedicated man of his community and I wish him the best of luck in the future.

CONGRATULATING 3M FOR 100
YEARS OF INNOVATION

HON. LAMAR S. SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 7, 2002

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for the past century 3M has been a leader of innovative products. The company's achievements in technology, medicine and safety, have improved lives around the world.

In 1925, a young researcher by the name of Dick Drew, acting on his own initiative, developed the Scotch Tape Product line.

In 1937, the first traffic sign of 3M Scotchlite Reflective Sheeting went up in Minneapolis. In addition, the first electrical tape with vinyl plastic backing was introduced and Scotch Magnetic Tape (which was later designed to use in the first recording of television pictures) was introduced.

Other innovative ideas include Scotch Magic Transparent Tape, Tartan Track (the first synthetic running track), and the introduction of Dry Silver technology.

As the decades went by, the success of 3M only increased with the discovery of medical x-ray film, fire barrier sealant, and the introduction of the 3M Pollution Prevention Pays.

In 1985, the first successful optical disk for information storage, video, and audio reproduction was implemented.

A few years later, 3M Fibrok Fiber Optics Splices reduced splicing time drastically. And the first commercial automatic book check-out systems for libraries, known as the 3M Self-Check Automated Library System, was introduced.

In closing, I commend the employees at 3M's Austin, Texas, facility, which is in the new 21st Congressional District. Their work

has contributed much to America's technological innovations and to Austin's economy.

TRIBUTE TO BENJAMIN GILMAN

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 7, 2002

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a dear friend, colleague, and fellow New Yorker, Congressman BENJAMIN GILMAN, on a successful 30 years of leadership. Let me begin by personally thanking him. For his vision, for his forceful leadership, for his compassion under the most challenging circumstances, and for his tireless dedication to the state of New York.

Together Congressman GILMAN and I teamed up to introduce our bipartisan bill, H.R. 253, the "Tax Relief for Families with Children Act." It was a pleasure to be able to work with him and to put partisanship aside to create a bill that would benefit families in New York and nationwide.

In his tenure in Congress he has fought endlessly to support legislation that will improve the quality of education received by all children in our country. He has also introduced legislation to help fight the increase in juvenile violence and has been a longtime advocate of foreign aid programs to reduce hunger and support family planning.

The House of Representatives is losing a great force by the departure of Congressman GILMAN. I appreciate all that he has done for the state of New York and the nation as a whole and wish him the best of luck with his retirement.

TRIBUTE TO BENJAMIN GILMAN

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 7, 2002

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I am saddened by the action that we take here this afternoon, honoring one of the house's greatest gentlemen, BENJAMIN GILMAN, upon his retirement after 15 terms in Congress.

BEN has been a friend and supporter of many of us on the other side of the aisle. His compassion for serving others is legendary. Whether it was fighting for the creation of the select committee on hunger or freeing political prisoners in Cuba, BEN was a stalwart in protecting the rights of others. He brought that same concern for others to his role as the ranking member of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee from 1989 to 1993 which had oversight over civil service and postal employees. BEN has continued to be a voice of reason on the successor to this committee, the House Government Reform Committee. Having traveled with him on several anti-drug Codels, I know how committed he has been not only in fighting drug trafficking but also in working for the resources necessary to assist those affected by drug abuse.

For his entire congressional career, BEN was known as someone from "upstate New York". Within the New York delegation, that simply means that BEN is not from New York

city. While he may not hail from "the big apple", he is one of "New York's finest" and it has been an honor and a pleasure for me to serve with him and to call him my friend. BEN, please know that you will be sorely missed even by those of us who are not from your side of the aisle or from upstate New York. I can only wish you well and to thank for your years of service to the people of New York and this nation.

IN HONOR OF JAMES CHAPIN

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 7, 2002

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, my colleagues, and friends, it is with deep sorrow that I address our distinguished body today to announce the passing of a devout patriot, committed citizen of the world and a good friend, James Chapin.

Jim was exceptionally brilliant. His political mind and his strong character impacted on our local, national and international community. A long time political advisor, James Chapin was involved in many endeavors. In addition to his work in politics, he earned a doctorate in history from Cornell University and went on to teach at Yale and Rutgers. Since 2000 he worked for the United International Press and sat on the board of the Queen's Public Library for over 22 years.

In the 1970's the problems of world hunger and malnutrition was brought to my attention by Harry Chapin, the late brother of James. As a result I became involved in bringing this issue to the international political forum and eventually, I served on the Select Committee for World Hunger. It was during that time that my longstanding, relationships with both Harry and Jim Chapin took root.

It was in his capacity as Chairman of the World Hunger Foundation, that I personally remember Jim best. As a true citizen of the world, he took his role as Chairman seriously throughout his tenure in that position. He was instrumental in the fight for social justice and human rights. His contributions in that arena were truly inspiring and we shall long remember him as a true patriot and a generous man.

My wife, Georgia, and I are deeply saddened by his passing. Along with his many friends in the House of Representatives, in New York and around the World, we extend our deepest condolences to his mother Elspeth, his wife, Diana, his two brothers, Tom and Steve and his two sons, James and David.

God Bless you, Jim and may you rest in peace recognizing your many contributions to our way of life.

We thank you for your companionship.

IN HONOR OF MR. HARRY
MAITLAND, JR.

HON. CURT WELDON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 7, 2002

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a special individual in my community who recently passed away.